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Mr. Goodman:

It is my understanding that my substitute specification for my cabbage cutter dated June 23, 1999 was not entered and that your response regarding the action on the merits dealt only with the newly submitted claim and the specification as originally filed. I have attempted to make all the required corrections. I hope I have succeeded. A marked-up copy and a clean copy of the new substitute specification are enclosed. I have rephrased some of the sections to eliminate the vague and indefinite terms for clarification. In this new substitute specification, I have the cabbage cutter constructed of stainless steel instead of metal to emphasize the fact that the cabbage cutter is constructed of a stronger material and, therefore, will be stronger and more durable than the tin can. Stainless steel is a form of metal, isn't it?

You seem to be concerned about patent protection. Regarding patent protection, I have that covered. I have retained notarized copies of everything I have sent to the Patent Office, plus I have taken other protective measures.

I appreciate your assistance. Thank you.

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